

In the Claims:

Please **SUBSTITUTE** the following amended claims for the pending claims with the same number (a marked up copy of the prior pending claim with all changes shown is supplied in the appendix):

1. (Once Amended) A display apparatus of a computer system, comprising:
 - a light panel that produces light for a display screen;
 - a frame supporting said light panel with dimensional stability;
 - a housing having said frame attached thereto, substantial portions of said housing being translucent; and
 - a cosmetic shield provided between said housing and said frame to mask said frame and said light panel from being visible through the substantial portions of said housing being translucent.

19. (Once Amended) A display apparatus of a computer system, comprising:
 - a housing, substantial portions of said housing being translucent;
 - a light panel provided within said housing, said light panel produces light for a display screen; and
 - a cosmetic shield provided between said housing and said light panel to mask said light panel from being visible through the substantial portions of said housing being translucent.

39. (Once Amended) A display apparatus of a computer system, comprising:
 - a flat panel display that emits light in a forward direction and in a back direction when active; and
 - an outer shell for providing a housing for at least a rear portion of said display apparatus, said outer shell including a transparent portion through which a portion of the light emitted by said flat panel display in the back direction is able to pass, thereby illuminating the transparent portion when said flat panel display is active.

46. (Once Amended) A display apparatus as recited in claim 39, wherein said display apparatus further comprises:

a light guide that receives a portion of the light emitted in the back direction by said flat panel display, and directs the portion of the light receives to a predetermined destination for illumination of a feature when said flat panel display is active.

85. (Once Amended) A portable computer as recited in claim 84 wherein said light emitted by said flat panel display is passed through said openings in said EMI shield towards said reflective surface of said cosmetic shield, thereafter said first passed light is reflected off of the reflective surface of the cosmetic shield towards the reflective surface of the EMI shield, thereafter said first reflected light is reflected off of the reflective surface of the EMI shield towards the mask opening in the cosmetic shield, thereafter the second reflected light is passed through the mask opening thereby illuminating a portion of said outer shell.

Please CANCEL claims 106-108.

Please ADD claims 109-113.

109. (New) A portable computer, comprising:

a base unit including at least a processor;

a display unit including a bezel, a flat panel display, and a translucent outer shell, said flat panel display being disposed between said bezel and said translucent outer shell and emitting light so as to illuminate the translucent outer shell; and

a cosmetic shield disposed between said flat panel display and said outer shell, said cosmetic shield masking a substantial portion of said light that is emitted by said flat panel display, said cosmetic shield including a reflective surface positioned towards said flat panel display, and a mask opening for allowing the light to pass therethrough, said light passing through the mask opening illuminating a portion of said outer shell.

110. (New) A portable computer as recited in claim 109 wherein said display unit further comprises an Electro Magnetic Interference (EMI) shield disposed between said flat panel display and said cosmetic shield, said EMI shield having a plurality of holes for allowing said light to pass therethrough, and a reflective surface positioned away from said flat panel display and towards said cosmetic shield.

111. (New) A portable computer as recited in claim 110 wherein said light emitted by said flat panel display is passed through said openings in said EMI shield towards said reflective surface of said cosmetic shield, thereafter said first passed light is reflected off of the reflective surface of the cosmetic shield towards the reflective surface of the EMI shield, thereafter said first reflected light is reflected off of the reflective surface of the EMI shield towards the mask opening in the cosmetic shield, thereafter the second reflected light is passed through the mask opening thereby illuminating a portion of said outer shell.

112. (New) A portable computer as recited in claim 109 wherein said display unit further comprises a frame for supporting said flat panel display relative to said base unit.

113. (New) A portable computer as recited in claim 112 wherein said frame is coupled to said base unit via a hinge.

114. (New) The display apparatus as recited in claim 46 wherein the light guide is a light pipe.

115 (New) The display apparatus as recited in claim 46 wherein the light guide is an opening defined by a foam insert disposed between the flat panel display and the transparent portion of the outer shell.